

AMENDED CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) Method for automated handling of availability-checking, reservation and allocation processes in relationship to localized products, the method comprising:

- a) a user selecting an offer of an offeror;
- b) the user transmitting an identification code to the offeror, which identification code is exclusively assigned to the user-specific and saved in a mobile telecommunication unit of the user and transmitted by the mobile telecommunication unit;
- c) the offeror assigning, in a computer system of the offeror, the identification code to the offer selected by the user and making a reservation for the offer with the assigned wherein the identification code, is stored, and the offeror providing transmitting the reservation for the offer together with the assigned identification code and identification information to an identification verification system;
- d) conducting a non-contact identification verification by comparing, in a computer system of the identification verification system, the identification code saved in the mobile telecommunication system of the user with the assigned identification code of the reservation when the user enters with the mobile telecommunication unit ~~within~~ a predetermined physical range of the identification verification system; and
- e) granting access to the user upon a positive identification verification, wherein steps a), b) and c) comprise utilization of a supraregional communications link, and steps d) and e) comprise utilization of a local area communications link.

2. (previously presented) Method as in claim 1, wherein the supraregional communications link is a mobile communication network.

3. (previously presented) Method as in claim 1, wherein the local-area communications link is a mobile network system.

4. (previously presented) Method as in claim 1, wherein the local-area communications link is a local-area radio link.

5. (previously presented) Method as in claim 1, wherein the identification code comprises a code for a particular use issued for a limited area or time.

6. (previously presented) Method as in claim 1, wherein the local-area communications link is activated by the user.

7. (previously presented) Method as in claim 1, wherein the non-contact identification verification is accomplished by optical means.

8. (currently amended) Method as in claim 1, wherein said step of conducting said non-contact identification verification comprises the user providing by selective activation identification for transmission and/or verification purposes.

9. (currently amended) Method as in claim 1, wherein in the computer system of the offeror data-transfer, availability-checking, reservation and allocation or assignment processes are performed ~~with an aid of a central processing system~~.

10. (currently amended) Method as in claim 9, wherein the ~~central processing computer~~ system of the offeror is equipped with data telecommunications interfaces as well as systems for inquiry analysis, availability checking, the generation and transmission of offers, identification acceptance and storage, communication with identification verification and/or access authorization systems and point-of-sale management units.

11. (previously presented) Method as in claim 1, wherein the user employs the method for reserving parking space in park garage systems and obtaining access to the parking space thus reserved.

12. (previously presented) Method as in claim 1, further comprising automatically generating an accounting statement including the identification code and

information related to use of the method.